



BEHIND THIS WALL . . . Sergeant First Class Allan E. Richardson indicates the area of the Berlin Wall that he and another sergeant recently viewed on their 10-day "special" tour of U.S. Forces stationed in Berlin. The two, recently called up with reserve units stationed at Ft. Ord, were part of a nation-wide troop information program designed to acquaint reserve components with the overseas situation. (US Army Photo)

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TOURS EUROPE . . . Army Reserve Sgt. I.C. Allan E. Richardson, whose wife Shirley lives at 2406 W. 180th Pl., is greeted by Gen. Bruce C. Clark, U.S. Army commander in chief in Europe, upon his arrival in Germany for a five-day orientation visit to Berlin. Sgt. Richardson is regularly assigned to an Army Reserve unit at Ft. Ord. He was employed as an engineer by the Los Angeles city Fire Department before going on active duty.

Sergeants End Trip; Report Grim Scenes

Two trim and personable sergeants first class returned to Ft. Ord from a 10-day "business trip" to Germany this week, having covered more than 7,500 miles in planes, busses and trains.

Sergeants First Class Allan E. Richardson and Wilmer J. Hamilton, both members of recently recalled reserve component units at Ft. Ord, bore serious and contemplative expressions after getting a first hand look at the mission and

training of crack U.S. Army Europe combat-ready troops, the "wall of shame" that divides East and West Berlin, and the East German Border area.

Both asserted without reservation that National Guardsmen and Reservists who were recalled to duty and who are serving back-up duty in the States, are contributing immeasurably to the morale and peace of mind to fellow soldiers in the "action" zone.

RICHARDSON, a member of the 663rd Engineer Company (Topographical) and an engineer for the Los Angeles fire department in civilian life, colored a grim picture in recounting his experiences. He stated that Americans can be confident that we have a strong, ready force in Germany. He was contemptuous of the Communists who built and manned the wall for what he called the "largest concentration camp the world has ever known."

His views were shared by Hamilton, a member of the 320th Ordnance Battalion who was recalled to duty from his public utility job in Grand Island, Neb., last October.

"YOU HAVE TO SEE these things to really appreciate the seriousness of the Berlin situation," Richardson said. "You have to see the slabs of stone and mortar . . . the barbed wire . . . the mine fields . . . the bricked up windows . . . the Communist patrols . . . the watch towers manned around the clock by guards with machine guns."

"And you get seething mad when your train is stopped at the border," he reported. "The doors are locked. A Communist officer stand guard and you know that there isn't any freedom for people who live with this kind of thing."

HAMILTON SAID that the seriousness and tenseness at the "wall" fell over the area with a gloomy pall. During the train trip from Frankfurt to Berlin he especially noted the contrast between life for Germans in the East and West of Germany.

"It was like going from day into night," he said. "Western Germany is alive with cars. People are happy and care-free, moving in every direction. You see lots of lights . . . like the neon lights on a main street in the States."

"But you immediately notice the difference in the Eastern part. There are almost no cars

Oceanarium Dispels Fears for Walrus

Is it true — as the Alaskan Eskimos believe — that the departed souls of good men take up residence in the bodies of walruses?

This question was of vital importance to a special expedition from Marineland of the Pacific which flew to the Arctic last May and captured four baby walruses for public display at the world's largest oceanarium, near Los Angeles.

The Marineland crew could not catch the walrus offspring without the help of Eskimos. But the natives of the northern wilderness were loathe to permit walruses to be taken alive and shipped so far away from their native habitat. They did not object to walruses being killed for food; after all, walrus meat is the staple of their diet. When a walrus is killed, the spirit within it simply migrates to the body of another walrus, the Eskimos believe.

BUT THEY feared that if a walrus were removed alive from its native region, the soul of a good man, once an Eskimo, would be removed along with the animal and would suffer in an alien environment.

The Marineland expedition, consisting of Capt. Frank Brocato, chief collector of specimens; his assistant, Frank Calandrino, and Curator of Mammals David Brown, succeeded in convincing the younger Eskimos and those in authority in the Alaskan community of Gambell, that the baby walruses to be captured near there would be given the finest possible home at Marineland. Four of the youngsters, weighing a little more than 100 pounds each, were captured and taken to the oceanarium, where they now occupy a modernistic enclosure with two pools, ledges, a sheltered area and more claims that they can eat each day.

BUT MARINELAND wanted to prove a point to the Eskimos to pave the way for future expeditions, which also would

need their cooperation and help. So Marineland invited two Eskimos of the older generation to inspect the animals, the quarters in which they were living and the treatment they were getting.

William F. Monahan, vice president and general manager of Marineland, asked Mr. and Mrs. Chester Seveck of Kotzebue, Alaska, to come to the oceanarium, enter the walrus

enclosure, and take a long, close look at the animals.

Mr. and Mrs. Seveck found that the baby walruses had grown to weights of about 400 pounds each, were bellowing with healthy good spirits, and were beginning to grow tusks.

THE COUPLE, clad in bright orange parkas, were delighted to see the animals faring so well and exclaimed:

"How wonderful

just like at home. The husband mentioned about spirits of departed lodge in the w red: "It has be they do."

Nonetheless, has no fears ab which may reside of the blubbery Marineland.



PASS INSPECTION . . . Mr. and Mrs. Chester Seveck of Kotzebue, Alaska, inspect baby walruses at Marineland and give their stamp of approval. The local oceanarium brought the walruses from Alaska where natives were hesitant to allow the walruses to leave their native habitat.

Church Plans Sacred Concert Of Spirituals

Willie Mae Dorsey, Negro spiritual singer, will present a Sacred Concert at the mid-week service on Wednesday evening, March 28, at the South Bay Church of God.

Miss Dorsey is known throughout many churches in the Southern California area for her beautiful soprano voice. Besides singing her own special arrangements of well known Negro spirituals in English, Miss Dorsey also sings in five foreign languages.

An invitation has been extended by Pastor Clifford L. Tierney and the congregation for all to attend this sacred concert, which will be held in the sanctuary at 17661 Yukon Ave.

. . . an occasional motorcycle and only a few people," stated Hamilton.

HE SAID THAT apartments stood vacant and that buildings damaged during World War II remained unrepaired. Street lights were seldom burning but you could still see many Communist Army patrols moving about.

The two sergeants were among 50 hand-picked reserve and national guard non-commissioned officers chosen for the trip, named "Operation Look-See." It was carried out under the sponsorship of the U.S. Continental Command by direction of the Department of the Army to give reservists a better insight as to the cause and present state of the cold war and the recent Presidential call-up order.

THEY WERE MET in Germany by Gen. Bruce C. Clarke, commander in chief of U. S. forces in Europe. The group breakfasted and visited with the Burgermeisters of West Berlin and also had opportunities to talk informally with West Berliners. They toured East Berlin which they described as morbid.

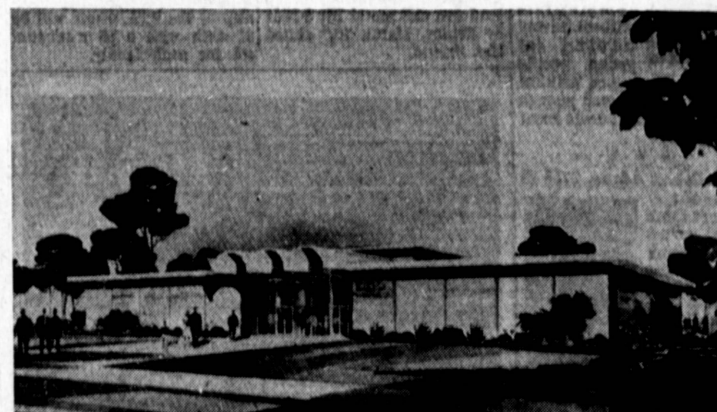
Some time was spent inspecting crack Army units, including the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment and the 3rd Armored Division.

Richardson said he had the chance to talk to a number of U.S. soldiers, all of whom are on constant alert status.

"They realize how grave things are," he said. "But our men have the best morale I've ever seen. It makes you realize how important it is that we have strong back-up forces for them in this country."



WALTERIA LIBRARY . . . Construction of a new 4,500 square foot library for Walteria is scheduled to start with official groundbreaking ceremonies on April 2. Shown here is an architect's rendering of the proposed facility.



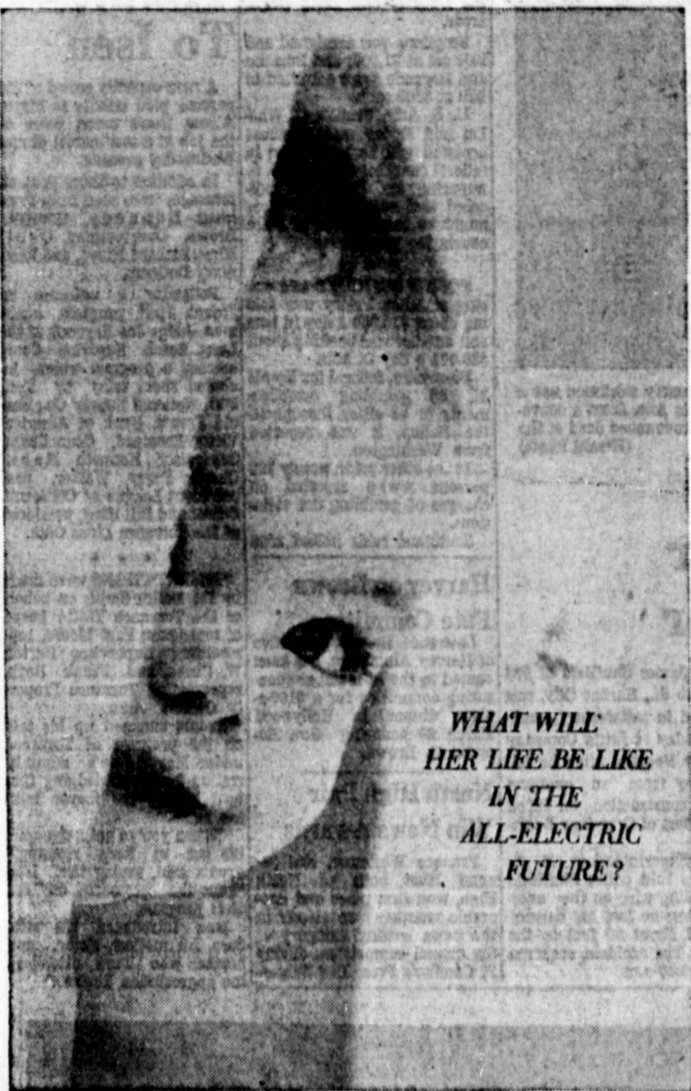
RECREATION BUILDING . . . Artists rendering of the new recreation building scheduled to be constructed on the civic center near Torrance Boulevard and Maple Avenue is shown here. Ground will be broken for the project Monday, April 2, the same day the Walteria Library is scheduled to start.

BIRTHS

TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. BLANKSHIP — Mr. and Mrs. William, 3021 Manhattan Beach Blvd., 16510 Kornblum Ave., a son, Feb. 22. SORRESEN — Mr. and Mrs. Wendell, 21829 Ocean Ave., a son, Feb. 27. CHRISTIAN — Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, 4211 W. 176th St., a daughter, March 4. JOHNSON — Mr. and Mrs. Swayne, 2739 Monterey, a son, March 4. WAKFIELD — Mr. and Mrs. Robert E., 1121 Lomita Blvd., Harbor City, a daughter, Jeanine Marie, March 4. WALTON — Mr. and Mrs. Delbert, 438 E. 25th St., Wilmington, a son, Hugh Mitchell, March 4. OWENS — Mr. and Mrs. Joe B., 1601 W. 204th St., a son, Gregory Neil, March 6. BARAJAS — Mr. and Mrs. Albert, 1562 W. Carson St., a daughter, Annette Christine, March 7. RICHARDSON — Mr. and Mrs. Leo, 4402 Culham St., a daughter, Lydia Mae, March 7. WILSON — Mr. and Mrs. Charles L., 204 Cabrillo Ave., a daughter, Kelly Rae, March 7.

SOUTH BAY HOSPITAL. SKAGGS — Mr. and Mrs. Donald A., 16510 Kornblum Ave., a son, Feb. 22. SORRESEN — Mr. and Mrs. Wendell, 21829 Ocean Ave., a son, Feb. 27. ESKEW — Mr. and Mrs. Ronald D., 2819 Alberta St., a daughter, March 1. FUQUA — Mr. and Mrs. William T., 21305 Linda Drive, a son, March 2. SANTIMAN — Mr. and Mrs. R. H., 2967 Doris Day, a son, March 3. DAVIS — Mr. and Mrs. W., 3919 Emerald St., a daughter, March 4. RIVIERA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. CAMPBELL — Mr. and Mrs. George W., 1030 E. Joel, a son, Feb. 13. MORRIS — Mr. and Mrs. K., 18419 Faymille, a daughter, Feb. 13. STROUSE — Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L., 25518 Narbonne Ave., Lomita, a daughter, Feb. 15. GAYNE — Mr. and Mrs. Arnold C., 15012 Towne Ave., a daughter, Feb. 22.

RICHIE — Mr. and Mrs. Charles W., 2176 W. 235th St., a daughter, Feb. 22. SHOCKLEY — Mr. and Mrs. James K., 24501 Eschelman Ave., Lomita, a son, Feb. 24. STONER — Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L., 915 Bayland Drive, a daughter, Feb. 22. "Khrushchev is said to have asked Russians to tell him when he is wrong. Conversation would go like this: 'Nik, you're wrong. When does the next train leave for Siberia?'" — Lord Neff, Overland Park (Kans.) Johnson County Herald.



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